

**ARIZONA COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CONTROL (AZ CCC)
RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
December 5, 2005**

In Attendance

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Workshop

- Goals:
 - To promote CCC research agenda among Arizona Researchers
 - Educate AZ researches about how CCC can serve their needs
- Purpose:
 - To foster networking and collaboration amongst those who play a role in cancer research in AZ
 - To raise awareness of current research initiatives and resources available to researchers.
- Audience
 - Research Community (Behaviorists, Epidemiologists, Biomedists, etc)
 - Community Physicians
 - Advocates
 - Students
- Objectives
 - Needs to be further discussed
- Topics to Highlight (further discussion of scope and details needed)
 - Network Analysis among AZ researchers
 - Identify what researchers are doing and conduct a needs assessment.
 - Will be used as a tool to direct the focus of the workshop as the needs assessment will drive the topics and objectives
 - Will we focus on individuals vs. organizations?
 - Need to develop questionnaire
 - This will be the main draw to the workshop.
 - Dr. Leischow to partially fund
 - Need to ID additional funding source(s)
 - Dr. Leischow to lead
 - Present case studies to demonstrate successful collaboration amongst various research scientists.
 - Tissue Banking
 - Rather than trying to foster specimen sharing, this committee will focus on fostering relationship building that will raise awareness of tissue banking resources that will facilitate the use of tissue specimens.
 - Perception is that it is very difficult to obtain tissue bank specimens, however many do not realize that this is quite doable – need education on how and where to obtain the specimens.
 - HIPPA – overcome obstacles of HIPPA compliance
 - Determine what tissue banks are available in Arizona

- St Joes, ACC, Banner (is interested)
 - Integrate Clinical Trails into the workshop as it plays into availability of tissue specimens
- End Result
 - The network analysis will be published and it will be the first of its kind
 - The workshop will build collaboration that serves cancer research

Action Items

- Explore funding opportunities for the workshop
- Committee members need to look for potential dates for Fall 2006 and see whether dates conflict with existing conferences/events already scheduled.
- Solidify objectives for training.

Next Meeting

Committee decided that more frequent meetings may be necessary in the early planning stages of these initiatives.